HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1027

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Encouraging South Dakota's delegation in the United States Congress to pass an economic stimulus package that creates jobs and ensures a strong economy for America's future prosperity and security.

WHEREAS, President Bush, in his State of the Union Address, committed our nation to achieving three great goals: winning the war on terrorism, protecting our Homeland, and revitalizing our economy through job creation; and

WHEREAS, it is the sense of the South Dakota Legislature that revitalization of the economy and creation of new jobs is a national priority; and

WHEREAS, we need an economic stimulus package to boost growth now and get people back to work now; and

WHEREAS, bipartisan economic stimulus legislation has been proposed that would invigorate the economy and promote job creation by assisting small businesses; and

WHEREAS, the President's plan includes an aggressive job creation package that accelerates middle class tax relief, creates jobs by spurring investment, and makes available in FY 2003 a total of \$9.3 billion, a thirty-six percent increase, to help unemployed workers get job training, get back to work, and get health care assistance; and

WHEREAS, this legislation reduces taxes for low- and moderate-income households beyond relief already approved by Congress, ensuring that the most vulnerable workers will have more money in their pockets; and

WHEREAS, the future prosperity of this nation's economic stability is threatened not only by terrorism, but also by Congressional inaction; and

WHEREAS, the South Dakota Legislature is struggling to meet its obligations because of declining revenues due to a faltering economy; and

WHEREAS, the best way to guarantee future surpluses is to guarantee future economic growth:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Seventy-seventh Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that South Dakota's delegation in the United States Congress is strongly encouraged to break the Congressional gridlock, return to negotiations, and proceed with legislation that creates jobs and ensures a strong economy for our state and nation's prosperity and security.

February 19, 2002 February 21, 2002

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